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### Direct Taxes—Interesting to Land Owners.

It has been announced that the direct tax collector or commissioner had arrived in this city and that he would soon be around with his little bill. His office, as appears from a card on the door, is established in the third story of the custom house. The announcement above referred to was the very first information that our people had that there was such a thing as a direct tax imposed by the United States. Good, easy men, they had dreamed full surely that the prompt and regular payment of the internal revenue imposts discharged all the claims of the Government, when the announcement of the arrival of the direct tax agent undeceived them not agreeably. The direct tax is a stern reality, as all of us that, like Justice Shallow, own "land and beeves," shall soon find. This being the case, the history of the tax and the amounts to be paid by the different Southern States is matter of interest. All that it is important to know on the subject, except the exact amount to be paid by each individual and the exact day upon which he is required to have that amount ready, is contained in the following paragraph, which we take from a Northern paper. The paper predicts that the tax will "cause some trouble." The only trouble to be anticipated is the distress it will bring upon many of our people, whose whole property consists in lands which are just now lying idle and unproductive:

By the Act of Congress of the 5th of August, 1861, a direct tax of \$20,000,000 was levied upon lands and houses in all the States in the Union, those of the South as well as those of the North. The amount was apportioned among the States, and full arrangements were made for the collection of the same by the usual machinery of assessment and collection. At the same time privilege was given to each of the several States to assume their proportions of the tax, and pay it at once. This was done by the States not in rebellion, and the citizens of those States were assessed for the amount in their general taxes. Most of them paid it without knowing exactly that they were doing so. Hence, so little was said about direct taxes that the burden was scarcely felt to be one in the loyal States. But in the disloyal States the existence of the tax will, doubtless, be well known hereafter and cause some trouble. The following amounts are charged to the States lately in rebellion: Virginia, \$937,550.66; North Carolina, \$576,194.66; South Carolina, \$363,570.66; Georgia, \$584,367.33; Alabama, \$529,313.33; Mississippi, \$413,084.66; Louisiana, \$385,886.66; Tennessee, \$669,498; Arkansas, \$261,886; Florida, \$77,522.66; Texas, \$355,106.66. By an Act passed in 1862, it was provided that the direct tax should be charged upon all lands in insurrectionary districts and remain a lien thereon, and that where practicable the lands might be sold for default of payment whenever possession could be obtained by the United States officers. Under this Act sales of lands for non-payment of taxes have been made in the South, but they have been few in number. The Government officers in the South have not been urgent as to the collection of the direct tax, but it is evident that the time of payment is near.—*Richmond Times.*

**BAGGAGE PROCURED FROM EXPRESS COMPANIES BY MEANS OF FORGED ORDERS.**—Within a short time past almost all of the express companies in the city, more especially Adams', Harnden's, and Kingsley's, have been robbed of quantities of baggage. The matter finally became so serious that Captain Jourdan, of the Sixth Precinct, was called upon by members of the leading companies, and requested to endeavor to discover the thieves. Yesterday, assisted by officer Woodruff, he succeeded in taking into custody George Stardt, a German, and Francis Marmond, an Italian, aged respectively 22 and 25 years. They have been in the habit of forging orders for trunks and other property at the offices of the express companies, and by presenting those orders

would obtain the goods called for by them. On other occasions, they would watch the express wagons as they were driven in front of the company's buildings, and note in a memorandum book the address on many of the trunks and valises. A message would then be sent by them with a forged order for the delivery of the goods so noted. In most cases the orders were honored, but if the baggage was refused on such order, one of the confederates would call in person and procure it.

After a time, believing that the above mode of doing business would lead to their detection if persisted in, they concluded to adopt a different system. Stardt sent his trunk from Newark, New Jersey, to this city, by Harnden's Express. On its arrival in this city, Marmond called at the office of the company, represented that the trunk belonged to him, described the contents, and produced a key, which fitted it exactly. Of course the key had been furnished by his confederate. The trunk was given him, and Stardt soon after called and demanded his property. He was informed that it had already been delivered to him. This he denied, and having a witness who would swear to anything, finally convinced the company that he had not received the trunk. He then claimed \$400 as compensation for the loss, and the claim was still pending at the time of his arrest.—*New York Tribune, 16th.*

**WASHINGTON COLLEGE—GENERAL LEE.**—In speaking of the losses of this institution by the war, and its present condition, financially, the *Staunton Vindicator* says:

These funds, being mostly in State securities and James river bonds, are now unavailable, and a proportion, over \$15,000 in bank stocks, are utterly lost. General Hunter's (Federal) army, while in Lexington in 1864, destroyed the property of the College to the extent of \$17,500, as estimated by a commission appointed by the Federal officer commanding that post. It is now desired to raise, by public contributions, the means to sustain the College in its usefulness, until its endowments can again be made available. To restore its sacked libraries, its despoiled cabinets, its ruined philosophical apparatus, and its war-blasted walls.

It is proposed also to raise a special endowment, the income from which shall support the chairs to which General Robert E. Lee has been appointed, and in which useful labors he is now so nobly devoting all the energies of his great soul.

A public-spirited citizen has headed the contributions of Augusta County with a thousand dollar bond.

### For Sale,

BETWEEN this and 25th proximo, a "GRAND SQUARE" ROSEWOOD PIANO, Steinway & Son's make. Also, Rosewood Stool and India Rubber Cover. This is a splendid instrument, of the best tone, and not in the least abused. Apply at this office,

### For Sale,

496 ACRES OF LAND, within two miles of Winnsboro. Of this, 320 acres are cleared, and the remainder is woodland. There are several springs on this land, which is termed "Creek Bottom Land." For particulars, apply to Nov 19 WM. McGUINNIS, Columbia.

### House-furnishing Goods.

THE subscriber has received a supply of the above, consisting of Brass and Iron-hooped TUBS, BUCKETS and KEELERS, Hair and Straw Brooms and Brushes, Table and Door Mats, Japanned Tin Toilet Sets, Looking Glasses, &c.

W. B. STANLEY,  
Corner Plain and Gates streets,  
Nov 19 3 Nearly opp. Shiver House.

### The Southern Guardian.

I PROPOSE to revive the publication of this journal, at Columbia, S. C., as soon as mail communications have been restored, and the necessary arrangements can be made. CHARLES P. PELHAM.  
Newspapers in this State and elsewhere will oblige me by extending this notice. Nov 25

### TEACHER WANTED.

THE Trustees of the Unionville Female High School will elect a PRINCIPAL, on SATURDAY, the 16th of December next. References required. Address JOHN N. HERNEON, Chairman, Nov 22 46 Unionville, S. C.  
The *Charleston Courier* publish six times a-weekly, and send bill to this office.

## W. E. SCOTT,

FORMERLY of the firm of Messrs. ZEALY, SCOTT & BRUNS, and now of the firm of SCOTT & HERIOT, respectfully begs leave to tender his sincere thanks for the patronage heretofore bestowed, and to request an extension of the same liberal and generous support to the new firm of SCOTT & HERIOT. Their sales-rooms will be found in Washington street, between Richardson and Assembly streets, at which place an entirely new and varied assortment of GOODS will be displayed for CASH at CHARLESTON PRICES. Nov 26

## Dry Goods.

PLAIN and FIGURED DeLAINES. DeBERGES. MOURNING DeLAINES. CALICOES. COLORED VEIL BAREGES. LACE VEILS. L. C. HANDKERCHIEFS. Hem-stitched " L. C. HOOP SKIRTS. Ladies' WATERFALLS. HAIR NETS. BLACK LACE and CRAPE COLLARS. An assorted stock of RUCHES, &c. Nov 26 SCOTT & HERIOT.

## GLOVES.

JOUVEN'S superior KID GLOVES. Silk and Thread GLOVES, Black and Colored. Children's THREAD GLOVES. Nov 26 SCOTT & HERIOT.

## WANTS OF CHILDREN

ASSORTED and FANCY SLATES. PENCILS, SCHOOL-BOOKS. Entertainment for Winter Evenings. Nov 26 SCOTT & HERIOT.

## GROCERIES, &C.

WHITE and BROWN SUGARS. COFFEE, TEA, CHEESE. BUTTER, LARD. HAMS and SHOULDERS. SALT, MACKEREL, HERRINGS. Vinegar, Candles, Soap, Spices, &c. Assorted Candies, Jellies. Sauces, Pickles, Condensed Milk. Mustard, Lobster, Salmon. Syrup, Cordials, &c. Nov 26 SCOTT & HERIOT.

## Hats, Boots, SHOES, &C.

A VARIETY of the above articles, by SCOTT & HERIOT, Washington street. Nov 26

## Ladies' Hats!

LATEST STYLE. BEAVER, FELT and STRAW. SCOTT & HERIOT, Washington street. Nov 26

## LIQUORS.

FINE WHISKEY. " GIN. " COCKTAILS. " St. Croix Rum. Absynthe, Curacao, Marraschino, French Cordials, old Sherry Heidsick Champagne, quarts and pints, Claret and Bitters. Nov 26 SCOTT & HERIOT.

## Crockery!

A VARIED assortment of CROCKERY and GLASS-WARE. Nov 26 SCOTT & HERIOT.

## Liverpool Salt.

AT SCOTT & HERIOT'S. Nov 26

## WOODENWARE.

BASKETS, BUCKETS, TUBS, Seives, &c., &c. All the above, with various other articles, to be had at SCOTT & HERIOT'S, Washington street. Nov 26 W. E. SCOTT. W. C. HERIOT.

## Still they Come!

ANOTHER NEW LOT OF

## Groceries,

JUST RECEIVED BY CALNAN & KREUDER, GERVAIS (OR BRIDGE) STREET, OPPOSITE STATE HOUSE, COLUMBIA, S. C.

EXTRA FAMILY FLOUR. SMOKED BEEF. BACON—Clear Sides, Hams, &c. MACCARONI. SUGAR—all kinds, at lowest rates. APPLES. POTATOES. Nov 17

## GENERAL COMMISSION AGENCY.

P. B. GLASS has established, in connection with the Book and Stationery business, a general COMMISSION AGENCY for the purchase and sale of Merchandise of every description, Bonds, Stocks, Real Estate, &c. Careful attention given to all business entrusted to him. Office, at present, on Plain street, near Nickerson's Hotel. Nov 1

## E. E. JACKSON, DRUGGIST & APOTHECARY,

Bedell's Row. A FINE assortment of PERFUMERY and FANCY ARTICLES. Nov 26

## RECEIVED AND FOR SALE BY

L. C. CLARKE, Washington Street, Opposite Old Jail.

TOGETHER WITH RIBBONS, COLOGNE TOILET POWDER, VERBENA WATER, TOILET POWDER BOXES, SILK and LEATHER BELTS, Corsets, Tooth, Nail and Hair Brushes, Gloves, Linen Braids, Tape, Shawls, Edgings, Balmoral Skirts, Calicoes, Traveling Bags, Portmonaies, Canton Flannel, Cassimeres and Cloths, for Gent's wear, Blankets, Hats, Whalebone, Zephyr Worsted, Black Bombazine, Black French Merino, Black Alpaca, B. E. Diaper, Huck, Diaper, Cloak Ornaments and Trimmings, Serpentine Silks and Worsted Braids, Fancy, Pearl, Agate, Bone, Metal and other Buttons, Shell and Imitation Tuck Combs, Dress Trimmings, Marcelline Shawl Pins, Menfour, Ladies' Merino Vests, Drawers and Petticoats, Gilt and Jet Belt Buckles, Gent's Merino Drawers and Undervests, Waterfalls and Pads, Lace Veils, Marcelline Silk, &c. Oct 29

**Phoenix Iron Works,** Situated Foot of Richard St., near Greenville Railroad, Columbia. **GOLDSMITH & KIND, PROPRIETORS.**

THE above works are now completed, and the undersigned beg to inform the public that they are now prepared to execute all kinds of IRON CASTINGS, such as: Engines, Boilers, Steam Trains, and all other articles needed for agricultural and manufacturing purposes. RAILROAD IRON, MILL IRON, IRON FENCINGS, &c. They are also prepared to furnish BRASS CASTINGS of every description. Orders are solicited and will be promptly attended to. M. GOLDSMITH, P. KIND. Nov 9

## New Goods!

AT WHOLESALE! M. WINSTOCK

INFORMS city and country dealers that he has just opened at his establishment, over J. G. Gibbs', near the Court House, a large and handsome stock of DRY GOODS, FANCY ARTICLES, BOOTS, SHOES, HATS, etc., which he offers at wholesale at prices as low, or lower, than they can be bought for in Charleston or elsewhere—barely adding cost of transportation. Nov 8 Imo Camden, Abbeville, Anderson, Greenville and Newberry papers copy three times and forward bills.

## Valuable Lands & Stock FOR SALE.



WHAT VALUABLE COTTON and PROVISION PLANTATION, in Darlington District, known as "Bunker Hill," formerly the residence of John McClenaghan, deceased, is offered for sale, containing 1,156 acres, by a plat of W. H. Wingate, Surveyor. It is bounded on the South by the line of Marion District, defined by a canal draining the waters of Polk Swamp into Black Creek, which stream is its Northern boundary. Some five to six hundred acres are cleared, under cultivation, and present the advantages of fine cotton lands, with rich bottom lands for corn.

On the place is a DWELLING HOUSE, with eight rooms, a Vegetable and Flower Garden, with all convenient out-buildings; a new Gin-house, Barns and out-buildings which have comfortably accommodated from fifty to sixty persons. It is situated within two miles of Mar's Bluff Station, on the Wilmington and Manchester Railroad, and within five miles of Florence, and is too well known for its healthfulness, fine water and its advantages of society, to need a further description.

With the place, will be sold, if desired, some 8 or 10 prime MULES, 2 HORSES, CATTLE, SHEEP, HOGS, CORN, FODDER, &c.; WAGONS, CARTS, Blacksmiths and Carpenter's TOOLS and FARMING IMPLEMENTS.

In the event that no sale is made, this place will be leased for one year from 1st January next; and the perishable articles mentioned will be sold on the premises, for cash, on SATURDAY, 9th of December next.

For terms and conditions, apply to L. W. T. Wickham, Richmond, Va., or to the undersigned, at Mar's Bluff.

W. W. HARRLEE, Agent for L. W. T. Wickham. Mr. S. LUCAS, on the place, will show the premises, and give persons, desirous of inquiring, the facilities of deciding for themselves. Nov 15 14

## G. DIERCKS,

Watchmaker and Jeweller, BEGS leave respectfully to inform his old friends and customers, and the public generally, that he is now prepared to repair

## WATCHES AND JEWELRY

Of every description, at the shortest notice and on the most reasonable terms. Apply at his residence—up-stairs—Assembly street, West side, one door from Pendleton street. All orders left at the store of MELVIN M. COHEN will receive the promptest attention. Nov 5 Imo

## T. W. Radcliffe,

AT THE SIGN OF THE DRUM,



(Formerly at the Corner of Richardson and Plain Streets; now at the Corner of Pendleton and Assembly streets—his dwelling.)

OFFERS every article in his line, viz: WATCHES, JEWELRY, GUNS, PISTOLS, POWDER, SHOT, CAPS, CARTRIDGES for Smith's and Wesson's Pistols; KNIVES, FORKS, SPOONS; Spectacles—to suit all ages; Gold Pens—the best assortment ever brought to this place; Fishing Tackle, new and fresh—selected by myself; Hair and Tooth Brushes, Combs, Walking Canes and everything usually kept in our line of business.

I will also receive from abroad every article of MERCHANDIZE that may be consigned to me, for which I will make monthly or quarterly returns—soliciting a share of patronage. Watches and Clocks carefully repaired by experienced workmen. Jewelry repaired. Rings made to order. Engraving neatly executed.

The highest rates paid for old Gold and Silver, and all of the above goods named will be sold at the lowest prices. Nov 5